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2	California Corporations Commissioner				
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10	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA				
11	In the Matter of)) FILE NO: 603-8908			
12	THE CALIFORNIA CORPORATIONS				
13	COMMISSIONER,) SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT)			
14	Complainant,)) Date: August 17-18, 2011			
15	v.	Time: 9:00AM			
16	VALUE HOME LOAN, INC.	Place: 320 West Fourth Street, Room 630 Los Angeles, CA 90013			
17	Respondents.))			
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21	This Settlement Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into between Value Home Loan, Inc.			
22	("VHL"), and the California Corporations Commissioner ("Commissioner") (collectively, the				
23	"Parties"), and is made with respect to the following facts.				
24	RECITALS				
25	A. VHL is a finance lender licensed by the Commissioner pursuant to the California				
26	Finance Lenders Law of the State of California (California Financial Code §22000 et seq.) ("CFLL").				
	VHL is a California corporation who currently holds license number 603-8908 issued under the				
27	CFLL for the location at 6301 Owensmouth, Suite 240, Woodland Hills, California, 91367				
28	("License").				
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B. On or about March 17, 2011, the Department	issued to VHL the following documents:			
(1) Notice of Intention to Enter An Order Revoking Finance	Lenders License of Neil D. Gitnick, dba,			
Value Home Loan, Inc. Issued Pursuant to California Financ	cial Code Section 22714 and Barring Neil			
D. Gitnick From Any Position Of Employment, Management or Control of Any Finance Lender				
Pursuant to California Financial Code Section 22169; (2) A	ccusation In Support of Revoking			
Finance Lenders License of Neil D. Gitnick, dba, Value Hor	ne Loan, Inc. Issued Pursuant to			
California Financial Code section 22714 and Barring Neil D	. Gitnick From Any Position Of			
Employment, Management or Control Of Any Finance Lend	ler Pursuant to California Financial Code			
section 22169; and (3) Statement to Respondent, collectively	y known herein as the "Action". A copy			
of the Action is attached and incorporated herein as "Exhibit 1".				

- C. VHL timely requested a hearing on the Action as permitted by law, on or about March 30, 2011. VHL voluntarily waived its right to proceed to hearing within thirty (30) days of VHL's request for hearing on or about April 4, 2011. This matter was to be adjudicated before the Office of Administrative Hearings in or about August 17-18, 2011.
- D. It is the intention of the Parties to resolve this matter without the necessity of an administrative hearing or any other litigation.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, and the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Parties agree as follows:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. This Agreement is entered into for the purpose of judicial economy and expediency.
- 2. VHL acknowledges its right to a hearing under the CFLL and it hereby waives the right to any appeal, or other right to review, if any, which may be afforded pursuant to the CFLL, the California Administrative Procedure Act, the California Code of Civil Procedure, or any other provision of law, and by waiving such rights, it consents to the Agreement as final.
- 3. VHL, in and for purposes of entering into this Agreement, neither admits nor denies the allegations set forth in the Action. VHL agrees to the terms of this Agreement in settlement of the Action.

- 4. It is the intent and understanding between the parties that this Agreement, shall not be binding or admissible against VHL in any action(s) brought against VHL by third parties or the Commissioner.

 5. VHL hereby agrees to surrender License No. 603-8908 issued to VALUE HOME LOAN, INC. by the Commissioner. The surrender shall become effective immediately upon the execution of this Agreement by both parties.
 - 6. VHL hereby withdraws its request for administrative hearing issued to the Department in or about March 30, 2011.
 - 7. The Commissioner reserves the right to bring any unknown or future actions against VHL or any of its officers, partners, employees or successors for any and all unknown or future violations of the CFLL. This Agreement shall not serve to exculpate VHL or any of its officers, partners, employees or successors from liability for any and all future violations of the CFLL.
 - 8. The Parties hereby acknowledge and agree that this Agreement is intended to constitute a full, final and complete resolution of the Action. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that nothing contained in this Agreement shall operate to limit the Commissioner's ability to assist any other agencies with any administrative, civil or criminal prosecution brought by any such agency against VHL, or any other person or entity, based upon any of the activities alleged in this matter or otherwise.
 - 9. Each of the Parties represents, warrants, and agrees that in executing this Agreement it has relied solely on the statements set forth herein and has placed no reliance on any statement, representation, or promise of any other party, or any other person or entity not expressly set forth herein, or upon the failure of any party or any other person or entity to make any statement, representation or disclosure of anything whatsoever. The Parties have included this clause: (1) to preclude any claim that any party was in any way fraudulently induced to execute this Agreement; and (2) to preclude the introduction of parol evidence to vary, interpret, supplement, or contradict the terms of this Agreement.
 - 10. This Agreement, including the attached Exhibit, is the final written expression and the complete and exclusive statement of all the agreements, conditions, promises, representations, and

- 11. In that the Parties have had the opportunity to draft, review and edit the language of this Agreement, no presumption for or against any party arising out of drafting all or any part of this Agreement will be applied in any action relating to, connected, to, or involving this Agreement. Accordingly, the Parties waive the benefit of California Civil Code section 1654 and any successor or amended statute, providing that in cases of uncertainty, language of a contract should be interpreted most strongly against the party who caused the uncertainty to exist.
- 12. This Agreement shall not become effective until signed by VHL and delivered by all Parties. The Commissioner shall file this Agreement with the Office of Administrative Hearings five (5) business days after execution by all Parties.
- 13. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by the Parties and when each party has signed and delivered at least one such counterpart to the other party, each counterpart shall be deemed an original and taken together shall constitute one and the same Agreement.
- 14. No amendment, change or modification of this Agreement shall be valid or binding to any extent unless it is in writing and signed by all of the Parties affected by it.
- 15. The headings to the paragraphs of this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and will not be deemed a part hereof or affect the construction or interpretation of the provisions hereof.

 This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with and governed by California law.
- 16. Each party covenants that they possess all necessary capacity and authority to sign and enter into this Agreement. Each party warrants and represents that such party is fully entitled and duly authorized to enter into and deliver this Agreement. In particular, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each party warrants and represents that it is fully entitled to enter into the covenants, and undertake the obligations set forth herein.
 - 17. VHL acknowledges that this Agreement is a public record.
- 18. The Parties each represent and acknowledge that it is executing this Agreement completely voluntarily and without any duress or undue influence of any kind from any source.

19. Each party represents, warrants, and agrees that it has received or been advised to seek
independent legal advice from an attorney with respect to the advisability of executing this
Agreement.

	1	1 20. Notice shall be provided to each	party at the following addresses:	
	2	If to Respondent to:		
	3	Neil D. Gitnick,		
	4	4 Value Home Loan	ns, Inc.	
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	6	6 Woodland Hills, 0	California, 9136/	
	7	If to the Commissioner to:		
	8	8 Marisa I. Urteaga	<u>-</u>	
	9	Department of Co 1515 K Street	rporations	
	10	Sacramento, CA 9	95814	
	11	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have approved and executed this Agreement on the		
1	12	dates set forth opposite their respective signatures.		
13		duces set form opposite then respective signatures.		
	14	4 Dated: <u>8/15/11</u> PRESTON DuF	AUCHARD	
	15		California Corporations Commissioner	
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	18	8 By		
	19	9 ALAN S. W	EINGER	
	20	Deputy Com Enforcement		
	21	11	Division	
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	23	3 VALUE HON	IE LOAN, INC.	
	24	4		
	25	5 Dated: 8/15/11 By		
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	27		NEIL D. GITNICK, AUTHORIZED OFFICER	
	28	of VALUE HOME LOAN, INC.		
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